

**MOTIVE MYSTERIOUS**

**Shooting of Captain Macklin Still Puzzles Authorities.**

**IS POPULAR WITH HIS MEN**

**Brother Officers Do Not Believe Assailant Was of the Discharged Colored Infantry—Wounded Men's Condition Much Improved.**

Later—Bloodhounds were placed on the trail of the negro today and followed the scent to Darlington, a small station on the Rock Island line, four miles southeast of Fort Reno. It is believed the negro escaped on a north-bound train. There is a steep grade at Darlington and trains which do not stop are forced to run slow. The feeling among the enlisted men at Fort Reno is intense and even the negro troops declare that hanging would be too good for the assassin. It is believed he will be lynched if captured by others than soldiers. It was learned today that Captain Macklin, who has charge of the post exchange, is in the habit of keeping large sums of money in the house when it was inconvenient to bring it to the bank at El Reno. Last evening Macklin had \$1,500 when the shooting occurred.

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**No Reason Discovered for the Shooting of Cap'n Macklin.**

ELENOR, Okla. Dec. 22.—No motive has been discovered for the shooting of Captain Macklin. Macklin is so much improved this evening that doctors say he will recover unless unexpected complications set in. The negro who shot Macklin is still uncaught. Today's developments served only to throw further mystery around the shooting. Macklin is not allowed to talk and the other officers of Fort Reno are loath to believe that the negro assailant was one of the members of the discharged Twenty-fifth Infantry. The testimony of Captain Macklin did not place the blame of the Brownsville affair upon the members of his company. One motive might be robbery. Another might be revenge, growing out of the death of a member of Macklin's company who fell out of the ranks during a practice march a few days ago and was found frozen to death next day. Macklin is not harsh with his men, on the contrary, he has a reputation for kind treatment.

**TARIFF WILL STAND.**

**Present Congress Will Not Make Any Changes in Schedule.**

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington says: In spite of the vigorous protests by the agricultural implement men of the West and the shoe and leather manufacturers of the East there will be no step taken toward tariff revision during the life of the present or the next Congress. It may be that President Roosevelt next year will think to refer to the tariff revision sentiment, but there is not the slightest

chance of any sentiment by Congress to change the existing schedules. Even the men who are in favor of tariff revision admit that the time has now gone by when it can be safely undertaken from a political point of view. If the tariff was to be revised at all, it should have been done at the long session of the present Congress. In that way conditions would have been adjusted to the new rates long before the next presidential election and there would be no question at that time as to whether the change in the tariff was good or bad.

**COLLISION AT PALISADE.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—It is reported that a collision occurred between a freight and passenger train at Palisade, Nevada, and fifty were injured.

Twenty passengers were injured, some seriously, but as far as reported none fatally, in the head-on collision on the Southern Pacific Railroad at Harney, Nevada, at 4:45 this afternoon. A freight train was stopped on the main line and the conductor, who knew that the tri-weekly special passenger was due, went to the office to telephone for more time. As he was in the office, the passenger train, going at fifty miles an hour, crashed into the freight. The engineer of the freight train says his watch had stopped and he did not know what time it was. The conductor as yet has made no report.

SALE LAKE, Dec. 22.—A special to the Herald from Reno says that the injuries to passengers are slight. A brakeman had his leg cut off.

**MAY AVOID TROUBLE.**

**Government Hopes to Fix Japanese School Matter.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—That the controversy over the segregation of the Japanese school children may be settled without bringing about a clash between the federal and municipal governments is the hope of the federal authorities. A movement has been inaugurated to bring about a compromise between the board of education and the Japanese. Today Chairman Altman of the board of education, was approached with a proposition to allow native born Japanese children to attend schools the same as American children, provided they are of the same age. Altman refused to consider the proposition, saying the board had no discretion but must follow the state law. Persons now striving to adjust matters, plan to induce the next state legislature to repeal the section dealing with separate schools for children of Mongolian descent, and give the board of education scope to deal with the present situation in the city.

**OFFICIAL QUARREL.**

LONDON, Dec. 22.—In a dispatch from Dublin a correspondent of the Times says the appointment of James Bryce to the post of British Ambassador at Washington has induced many well informed persons to believe that he has serious differences of opinion with Sir Anthony Patrick MacDonnell, under-secretary to the Earl of Aberdeen, lord lieutenant of Ireland, over the coming rule measure. It is believed that Mr. Bryce was willing to go farther than Sir Anthony and that he saw no objection to giving the Irish control of the constabulary. Rumor further points to Sir Anthony, the correspondent says, as the new secretary for Ireland.

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**INFLUENZA IN LONDON.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A dispatch to the World from London reports that influenza of a particularly virulent type is raging there and as usual its victims include many prominent people. The Lord Chancellor and the Archbishop of Canterbury are barely convalescent, while Arthur Balfour and Speaker Lowther are both seriously ill. The doctors recommend sun baths as at once the best preventative and the best cure, but London has enjoyed only seventy-five minutes' sunshine in 33 days.

**STOCK SELLS SLOW.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—There has been considerable liquidation in the stock market during the week. Some of it was forced by the sustained

stringency in the money market. The effect of the treasury relief measure proved disappointing. The St. Paul stock issue by calling for a \$10,000,000 payment on December 31, was regarded as a complication in the money market. This stock issue was received with disfavor, especially on account of the book for subscription. The violent break in the stock following a similar response to the Great Northern and Northern Pacific stock issues, was regarded as giving a poor promise of the ability of the stock market to absorb heavy new stock issues.

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**COMPANIES MERGE.**

**United States Leather Company Agrees With Central Company.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Through the issue of calls for special meetings of the stockholders of the United States Leather Company and the Central Leather Company, the Times today says:

"It became known that the directors of the two companies have come to an agreement by which the merger plan formulated on December 17, 1904, will at last be carried out. The Central Leather Company was formed in 1904 solely for the purpose of acquiring the stock and the business of the United States Leather Company, but the deal has been hanging fire for two years, chiefly because of the opposition of certain of the United States Leather Company's stockholders. The

meetings will be held in Jersey City on January 16.

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